MR. C. V. CHANDRASEKHARAN (*Ag. Director of Public Instruction*): There is no such definite policy. We usually appoint teachers who have got some experience.

MR. N. ABDUR RAHIMAN SAHIB (*Nominated*): May I know whether there is any other Inspector getting only Rs. 40 as the Mahomedan Inspector?

MR. C. V. CHANDRASEKHARAN (*Ag. Director of Public Instruction*): Yes, Sir; there are some Assistant Inspectresses.

MR. N. ABDUR RAHIMAN SAHIB (*Nominated*) Getting Rs. 40?

MR. C. V. CHANDRASEKHARAN (*Ag. Director of Public Instruction*): Yes, Sir.

MR. N. ABDUR RAHIMAN SAHIB (*Nominated*): Has the Director realised the anomaly of the Inspector getting an unusually lower pay than a teacher under him?

MR. C. V. CHANDRASEKHARAN (*Ag. Director of Public Instruction*): The Munshi is not under him. He is under the Headmaster of the School.

MR. N. ABDUR RAHIMAN SAHIB (*Nominated*): May I know whether the Arabic Munshi is not subordinate to the Inspector?

MR. C. V. CHANDRASEKHARAN (*Ag. Director of Public Instruction*): The Arabic Munshi is not subordinate to the Inspector. He is working under the Headmaster of the School.

MR. N. ABDUR RAHIMAN SAHIB (*Nominated*): Has not the Mahomedan Inspector any control over the Arabic teacher in schools?

MR. C. V. CHANDRASEKHARAN (*Ag. Director of Public Instruction*): The Mahomedan Inspector inspects the teaching of Arabic and makes reports.

MR. N. ABDUR RAHIMAN SAHIB (*Nominated*): In regard to appointments, and inspection of teaching of Arabic, has not the Mahomedan Inspector control over the Arabic Munshies?

MR. C. V. CHANDRASEKHARAN (*Ag. Director of Public Instruction*): He has no administrative control.

RAO SAHIB S. PARAMESVARA AIYAR (*Nominated*): Is there any Mahomedan teacher with adequate knowledge of Arabic who may be appointed as Mahomedan Inspector drawing a higher pay than the present Inspector?

MR. C. V. CHANDRASEKHARAN (*Ag. Director of Public Instruction*): There may be one or two getting a higher pay.

Piece-work Staff of the Government Press.

52. *MR. K. MAHOMED (*Always*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) the sanctioned strength of the piece-work staff of the Government Press, both permanent and temporary, separately;

(*b*) whether the appointments in the piece-work establishment are pensionable ones; and

(*c*) on what basis the recruitment to this piece-work establishment is going to be made by the Public Service Commissioner?

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RAO BAHADUR DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*): (*a*) Permanent hands 188, and temporary hands 71, including the Women's Section.

(*b*) The service of the permanent piece-workers is pensionable, while that of the temporary is non-pensionable.

(*c*) Recruitment to this establishment is outside the province of the Public Service Commissioner.

MR. K. MAHOMED (*Alwaye*): Out of these 188 permanent hands, may I know the number of Muslims?

RAO BAHADUR DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*): I have not got a list by community. I claim notice.

Acting Tahsildars.

53. ***MR. K. A. NARAYANA PILLAI** (*Todupuzha* cum *Devicolam*): Will the Government be pleased to lay on the table a list showing the names of all the acting Tahsildars with their respective caste, qualification and period of acting and total service?

RAO BAHADUR DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*): The * statement is laid on the table.

MR. K. KUNJUKRISHNA PILLAI (*Quilon I*): May I know from the member whether there is any rule prohibiting the confirmation of Tahsildars who have not passed the Revenue Test and the Survey Test?

RAO BAHADUR DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*): There was no definite rule; but recently Government have issued orders that all those Ag. Tahsildars who have not passed the Tests must do so within, I think, a year; and if they do not, their claims for confirmation will be over-looked and their juniors, who have passed the Tests, will be confirmed.

MR. K. KUNJUKRISHNA PILLAI (*Quilon I*): May I know when that order was passed?

RAO BAHADUR DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*): Quite recently.

MR. A. THANU PILLAI (*Trivandrum-Rural*): How many parts are there for the Revenue Test?

RAO BAHADUR DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*): There are three parts.

MR. A. THANU PILLAI (*Trivandrum-Rural*): What is the explanation for a Tahsildar not being able to pass all the parts of the Revenue Test?

RAO BAHADUR DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*): The explanation is that they have not been able to pass it.

PRESIDENT: Their intelligence will not be equal to it.

**Vide* Appendix II.

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